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Veterans Week Events at Veterans Centers, Cemeteries

*State Veterans Centers and Veterans Cemeteries Will Honor
Veterans in Local Community Ceremonies*

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Nov. 4, 2015) Kentucky's state veterans centers and veterans cemeteries will host ceremonies in recognition of Veterans Day Wednesday, Nov. 11.

Perry County Judge-Executive Scott Alexander will be the guest speaker at the Paul Patton Eastern Kentucky Veterans Center Veterans Day Ceremony in Hazard. It begins at 11 a.m. and includes music, food and a color guard from the Perry County JROTC. A Bluegrass band will play for residents later in the day.

Other Veterans Week events at EKVC and in the community include:

- The EKVC Car Show and Cookout on Sat., Nov. 7th
- Applebees will be offering a free meal to all veterans on Nov. 11.
- Ponderosa Steakhouse will be offering a free meal to all veterans on Nov. 12.
- Another Bluegrass band will play for EKVC residents on Nov. 13
- Dinner and Music at the Hazard V.F.W at noon and a Dinner with the Avawam Church at 6:00 p.m. on Nov. 14.

Joseph E. Ballard Western Kentucky Veterans Center in Hanson will hold its Veterans Day Ceremony at 10 a.m. CST with the American Legion Post 6 Honor Guard. Other Veterans Week events in the area include:

- Annual Madisonville Elks Lodge #738 Veterans breakfast Saturday November 7th.
- 51st Annual Veteran's Day Parade Sunday November 8th.
- Henderson Middle School Veterans Day Ceremony at 9 a.m. CST.

Thomson-Hood Veterans Center (THVC) in Wilmore will hold its Veterans Day Ceremony at 11:11 a.m. on Nov. 11 in the Hunt Multi-Purpose Room. THVC Administrator Ben Sweger (Major USA Ret.) will present each veteran resident with a Certificate of Appreciation.

Other Veterans Week Events at THVC and nearby include:

- On November 7th Mr. Peek, Air force Veteran, and his son, Marine Veteran will be at the Thomson-Hood Veterans Center at 9 a.m. to take photographs of THVC Veterans with their service branch flag.
- On November 9th the Suburban Women's Club will be visiting the Thomson-Hood Veterans Center women veterans and thanking them with special gifts for the sacrifices that they have made.
- On November 10th starting at 9:30 a.m. the Porter Memorial Church will be at the Thomson-Hood Veterans Center traveling throughout the facility singing Patriotic Music.
- On November 11th at 3 p.m. in the Hunt Multi-Purpose Room, the Kentucky County Clerks will present a Veterans Day Program.
- On November 14th at 10 a.m. THVC veterans will be part of the Wilmore Veterans Day Parade. Thomson-Hood veterans will be riding first class in parade thanks to the Bluegrass Corvette Club.
- On November 14th the Thomson-Hood Community Veterans Day Ceremony will be held promptly following the Wilmore Veterans Day Parade. The keynote speaker will be CPT Kimberly I. Barnard, JAG. CPT Barnard has served six years active duty. During her time of service she has served in SETAF, Vicenza, Italy; Fort Bragg, NC; and Kuwait. An open house with refreshments will follow the presentation.

Kentucky Veterans Cemetery West in Hopkinsville will host members of the community and soldiers from Fort Campbell placing gravesite flags on Friday, Nov. 6 at 9 a.m. CST. On Nov. 11, KVCW staff will support and participate in ceremonies at Fort Campbell, Hopkinsville and Oak Grove.

Kentucky Veterans Cemetery Central in Radcliff will host local Boy Scouts and members of the community placing gravesite flags on Saturday, Nov. 7 at 2 p.m. The Avenue of Flags will be installed on Friday, Nov. 6. On Nov. 11, KVCC staff will support and participate in ceremonies at Fort Knox, Radcliff, Vine Grove and Elizabethtown.

Kentucky Veterans Cemetery North in Williamstown will conduct a Veterans Day ceremony at 11 a.m. Nov. 11. The Avenue of Flags will be installed on the morning of the ceremony. Local Boy Scouts and members of the community will place graveside flags on Saturday, Nov. 7.

Kentucky Veterans Cemetery North East in Greenup County will conduct a Veterans Day ceremony on Friday, Nov. 6 at 10 a.m. Staff will install the Avenue of Flags before the ceremony. Attendees and members of the community may place gravesite flags at the ceremony.

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